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(b) who is the officer now in charge of the station and whether he is qualified to do research work; and

(c) whether any apprentices are now undergoing training in research work in Tanur station?

A.—(a) Not yet.

(b) The officer now in charge of the station has 16 years' experience in the department and is competent to carry out experiments ordered by the Director.

(c) No.

Use made of the motor engine in Tanur Research station.

* 314 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) whether a motor engine was purchased in recent years for the use of the Tanur Research station;

(b) whether it is being used there now; and

(c) if the answer to (b) is in the negative, whether it is being used for any other purpose?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) The engine is now used for collecting Hilsa at Bezwada and at other times at the Ennore station.

Admission of pupil teachers into the Fisheries Training Institute, Calicut.

* 315 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Excise be pleased to state—

(a) what is the number of pupil teachers admitted or proposed to be admitted into the Fisheries Training Institute, Calicut, during 1931–32;

(b) what is the number of teachers who have completed their training in the Institute during 1929–30 and 1930–31;

(c) the number of such trained teachers that have been absorbed by the Fisheries schools;

(d) whether the Government consider that there will be sufficient number of vacancies in the Fisheries schools in future to absorb the candidates who have been trained and will be trained; and

(e) whether the Government have considered the advisability of maintaining the Institute even if there are no vacancies in the Fisheries schools?

A.—(a) Five.

(b) Seven in 1929–30 and 12 in 1930–31.

(c) All the seven of 1929–30 and 11 out of 12 of 1930–31.

(d) Candidates so far trained have all been absorbed. As regards the candidates that will be trained in future, it may not be possible to provide them with posts if the financial stringency continues.

(e) No.